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## THE LAW

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**P**SALM 1. Blessed is the man who delights in the law of the Lord and in his law doth meditate day and night.

He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. ("Doeth" is present tense and prosperity is a thing of the farm, the office and the store.)

What is the law of the Lord? Are the laws of nature found in books on botany, zoology and the other sciences? No. These laws of God are operative forces and processes found in the world about us and in every living thing. They are the omnipresent power, wisdom and love that is working in perfect order, with mighty power and wonderful wisdom, bringing forth good everywhere.

The law is not in books. It is in things. Men have discovered these laws and have written about their processes in books.

There is a law in you, the individual soul. The omnipresent One, Spirit, Mind, is within you and has a law, a process of wisdom and power in you. Do you consider this, conform to and co-operate with it, or are you ignorant of it and conforming to external opinions?

Natural law perfects the tissues and organs of living things. It shoots the poplar tree straight up, constructs the oak and elm famous for their strength, spreads the cedar abroad, and adorns the orchard trees with the beauty of blossom and fruit. So there is a law in the individual soul and body. The same law. It makes perfect every cell and movement, moral fibre and social grace. Its work is health, prosperity, honor and happiness.

Let us find this law, grow by it in all that is good. Health, its vigor and comeliness, is necessary in every place in life. The law will not fail in this. It will lift you like the poplar tree to where others may look to you for guidance, leadership; will strengthen you for the strain of business; will broaden the intellect and affections in the home, society and church, so that others will come as to a refreshing shade into fellowship and friendship with you; and it will laden you with the "fruits of the spirit—love, joy, peace, gentleness and goodness, *against which there is no law*"—and which will feed a world famishing for these soul foods.

In verse four the psalm goes on to show us the other man, the "ungodly." The ungodly is the one without the consciousness of the Presence, of His

law, power, wisdom and love within himself; he is without the "delight" and the daily and nightly "meditation on his law." "The ungodly are like the chaff which the wind driveth away."

How different the tree and the chaff. The chaff knows no law. It is rushed hurry-skurry, pell-mell, in any and every way. It attains and gives no good. So the ungodly one is driven by the winds of political policy of business temptations, of social customs, into all kinds of confusion.

Let us recognize the law and co-operate with it—not "walk in the counsels of the ungodly, nor sit in the seat of the scornful."

The law is not the written precepts of the Bible merely, not its code of morals and of worship alone. These are good, but the law of God is within you—"the Kingdom of God is within you" and this law is the law of that Kingdom. It is love in the within and "Love is the fulfilling of the law." Love is the power that yields to and co-operates with the law to the fulfillment of all good.

Jesus came to fulfill the law. Matt. 5:17. His character and life were the fulfillment not merely of a code written in a book but of that law, power and love, righteousness and justice, which is in all of us and which we may all fulfill through the consciousness, the delight and the meditation on the Omnipresence and His law.

### FRANCE LOVES U. S., ITALY WORSHIPS, CHICAGOAN SAYS

"If France loves America, Italy worships her," said Prof. S. H. Clark of the University of Chicago, speaking last night before the Sunday Evening Club at Orchestra Hall. He recently returned from overseas service with the Y. M. C. A. War has created a new christianity among our soldiers, but—

"They are going to question us pretty closely as to the meaning of our religion. They cannot be scared into the church now, because they have already passed through hell. They have learned two big lessons—one, that service is what chiefly counts; the other, that somehow all that which is out of harmony with the universe must go."

Prof. Clark is head of the department of oratory at the university.—From the *Chicago Daily Tribune*, November 25.

Above all nations is humanity.—Plato.



## Signs That Follow

I am working for the healing. Things have opened up so clearly to me in so many ways. I can truly say, Where once I was blind, now I see.—B. H., San Diego, Cal.

I am too thankful for words—or shall I say words are too poor to express my thanks. By leaning on His everlasting arm and realizing that He is God of all flesh and that there is nothing too hard for Him and that I am a part of His own precious Being, I am miraculously relieved.—Mrs. F. A.

I had the "flu" and nursed five children with it and we are all well, while many around me passed over the Great Divide. I praise the truth; I know my knowledge of it saved us without medicine. I am trying to manifest the Truth and am faithful in my endeavor and in my study of the Daily Lessons. My eyes are very much better; I find myself reading without glasses, while two months ago I could not distinguish that a person had eyes when he was ten feet from me. There is much to be thankful for and I am grateful to you and the Realization Class for your help.—Mrs. E. R., Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Brooks:

You ask me to write of my healing. It was wonderful and I am pleased to tell of it, for it may help others.

I had been suffering for months from cancer, the physicians could not operate. The agony was so intense that I had no natural sleep for weeks.

There seemed to be but one end to all this, but it was slow in coming. In desperation I sent for a Divine Science practitioner, although I knew nothing of your teachings.

She gave me a treatment and I became quiet and filled with peace. I fell asleep during the treatment and from then on was free from pain. I was healed in three days, healed entirely by the power of God.

This was nine years ago, and I am well and hearty today. My heart is full of thanksgiving.—Mrs. B., Denver.

Today I wrote a "House Blessing" for our home, and if you think it is good enough you may use it in the Weekly with no name attached to it, please.

The Love-Presence fills every nook and corner of our home. It manifests as health in our bodies, thoughtfulness in our manners and harmony in our environment.

Go to sleep in peace; God is awake.—Victor Hugo.

"There is within me the power to understand, the power to know and the power to express my inherent divinity."

"Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."

## A Morning Thought

I'll just be still today and know  
That God is All in All;  
I will not fret, I will not plan,  
But listen for His call.

I'll know that God is tried and true,  
Whatever may befall,  
Whate'er today may hold for me  
I'll trust Him, that is all.

In silence I will go to Him,  
In spirit seek His Love;  
In sweet and blessed unity,  
I'll dwell with Him above.

Above the trouble and the strife  
Which human thought has brought,  
I'll dwell in truth with God serene,  
In realms of holy thought.

High upon the mountain top,  
Alone with God and me,  
In silence I will seek His face,  
In truth His beauty see.

And so in spirit I will go  
Each day to God above,  
And then my days will always be,  
Filled with Truth and Love.

—Julia Schaefer.

God filling all things up with himself so that there is no room for anything else! God who is all in all; God in whom all atoms, worlds and beings live and move; God in whom all space, power, beauty, wisdom, justice, thought, love and life exist forever and ever; God in whom man lives; God whose space and force surround, interpenetrate and include the body of man, whose justice gives law to the conscience of man, whose love rejoices the heart of man, and whose life surrounds and includes the life of man.—(From an address given in the early '80's at a conference of Unitarian ministers by one of their number, Dr. Calthrop.)

## SELF-DEPENDENCE

Resolve to be thyself; and know that he who finds himself, loses his misery.—Matthew Arnold.

It may be a little farther around the corners of a square deal, but the road is better.

"Every event in life is an obstacle if we take it in the wrong way; but it will become an opportunity if we take it in the right way."

To claim that God has power to heal, and to doubt his will to do so, is to doubt his goodness.—M. E. Cramer.

"The love of God rules in my heart towards all people."

"I trust where I do not understand."



## PRACTICAL LESSONS IN DIVINE SCIENCE

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## LESSON 3

Topic: What Is Healing?

**T**HERE is nothing more vital in the world thought today than healing. Confronted with the results of war, and an international epidemic, to say nothing of the ordinary sicknesses of the race, there is certainly great need for man to know how to keep well at all times and under all circumstances.

In one sense of the word, there is no such thing as healing; for healing implies progression, evolution, development; yet Truth is all there is and there is no change going on in Truth.

The seekers after Truth are in Truth always; they go to all places and carry Truth with them; they read all books, take all manner of lessons, always wanting the knowledge of Peace and Harmony which is the Changeless Reality of themselves.

Where do they expect to find it? Always they ask, "Why do I not feel happy and well?" "When will I get to the place of peace?" They have separated themselves from their good and are constantly looking for something they expect to find outside of themselves.

Their prayers do not seem to be answered; they listen and hear no voice; they expect someone to heal them of all their troubles, yet with all their strenuous efforts, they do not arrive, they do not get to the Truth they seek.

Yet they are in the Truth all the time and do not know it; they are like one with closed eyes asking for light, which is shining about him everywhere.

There is no place to be but in Truth, for Truth is Omnipresent, Omnipotent, and Omniscient, and there is nothing anywhere but absolute Truth.

Nothing ever disturbs or changes Truth; no agony or despair ever reveals it; it can not be coaxed into giving us special blessings, and no pain, disease, or trouble ever led us to it; yet all the time it is our inmost self, and we may know and know quickly that the Universal Self is also the Individual Self of each one of us, and herein is Peace.

The perception of this Truth must necessarily break the bondage of delusion. No one binds us; no one in the Universe has the slightest power over us unless we give him power, but we all have Power from on High, and, when we choose to use it, we can be free.

It is our own beliefs that keep us bound. No one is greater than another. Truth has no favorites. There are no special gifts bestowed upon you or me. All that Truth is is for us all.

"Once upon a time," as the story books say, I was told that a lady from out of town wanted to meet me very much indeed; she wanted to ask me just one question. Finally we met, and this was the question: "How do you heal?" It reminded me of the question I am often asked over the 'phone:

"Will you, just in a nutshell, tell me the difference between Divine and Christian Science?"

My answer to the first question was this: "I do not heal." The real you never needed healing; spirit cannot grow; no law of unfoldment can be applied to the Truth that you are; all sickness and lack are false conceptions; you are absolutely perfect now, so why ask to be healed of that which is not true?

God, or Truth, is indivisible, just as much in one place as another; know this for freedom. You can separate, change, cut and burn material things, but Spirit, the Infinite Life and Substance, is forever one and the same; and you are Spirit now. As you realize this you will know your Identity with all that Truth is.

You are not going some place in order to get there; you are there now; you are in Truth and Truth is within you, and you will never find Health or permanent Happiness apart from Truth.

Through intellectual processes, you can learn all about things; about economic changing conditions, about trades, business, city politics, and wars; but these are apart from Spirit and make living a labor. Spiritual things are spiritually discerned, and knowing the Truth of yourself, you find the dynamo of Power that works miracles.

Are you ignorant of your great possessions? Turn your attention wholly to the Infinite Abundance everywhere. You are a beggar because you do not know the wealth of resources close at hand. There is no poverty in Truth, and no Truth in Poverty.

Why temporize and postpone? Why say with Pope, "Man never is, but always to be blessed"?

Poverty, disease, and death have no foundation in Spirit—in Truth—in God. Why traffic and have dealings with the delusions of personal belief? The better acquainted you become with disease, the less you know of Truth, which is changeless Health.

Discard all the cumbersome machinery of being healed, of being saved from your mistakes by some theological dogma. "Progressive healing" is a snare that keeps you in a treadmill for a long time and gives no results.

On the contrary, boldly enter by the new and living way into your Divine Estate. Be today what you always have been, the immaculate expression of Truth, pure in mind, harmonious in thought, and perfect in body, a witness to the truth of your own Divinity.

"Knew'st thou the truth, thou wouldst not pray—  
Lord, to thy child send joy this day.

Thou art deceived; Joy is within,  
And never pain nor grief nor sin  
Can tak't away. God put it there,  
Nor comes it nearer thee for prayer.  
Joy is of thy true Self a part:  
Why shouldst thou pray for what thou art,"



## CREEDS

ADA B. FAY

A CREED is a fixed array of words, authoritative and compact; it is religious formulation at its highest, the climax of dogmatic activity. It is the ecclesiastical language of one era passed on to the lips of the next, and again passed on.

Dogma is doctrine imposed by authority.

Creeds interpreted by modern or advanced thought have their place as the result of interpretation of Scripture by leaders of different systems of religion.

Every religious conception has a place in the unfoldment of Truth, this is the reason we have so many religious systems formulated. As time goes on, differences of opinion decrease as the understanding of Truth increases. Hence we find the philosopher saying, "The hope of man is the ability to adjust himself to new and wider environments forever. There will exist beings whose individualities can be expanded in all directions: perfect morality, perfect individuality, and perfect life be simultaneously realized."

There is no new Truth, every step in unfoldment or progress must preserve the essential truth of all teachings, not destroying, but filling fuller every spiritual perception. Truth is Reality, that which is eternal, perfect and unending. We are now past the critical age, we have entered the period of reconstruction. Nothing new, there is no new Truth, we are endeavoring to perceive the eternal Truth.

The vital test of doctrine is whether it can be lived, whether we can apply it to every demand that life makes upon us.

The future of the church must include a universal organization, constructive, therefore Christian.

In studying the Bible it is well to keep in our thought a saying of Jesus. It was after the resurrection, on the way to Emmaus with Cleopas and his friend, who were telling him about the "things concerning Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and in word before God and all the people, and how the chief priests and rulers delivered him up to death, and crucified him. But we hoped that it was he who should redeem Israel."

Jesus replied to their words of disappointment, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken." He then interpreted to them from Moses and the prophets the Scriptures concerning himself. How deeply we regret that these wonderful words were not included in the chapter.

Our study of the Bible is based upon the fundamental doctrine that God, Infinite Being, is the Source of ALL there is, invisible and visible. God is Spirit, and we worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. We must have a BASIS, no premise or hypothesis here, we must start RIGHT! God is above us all, through us all, in us all, a presence of power, of intelligence, of life, of love, in which we live and move and have our Being. When we have satisfied ourselves that this is the basis of Truth,

and that Truth is changeless and eternal, we are ready to open the pages of this wonderful book and read with understanding.

We are also beginning to realize that salvation is not ONLY of the Jews. Though we have the stratified deposits, left by the stream of the intellectual and moral life of Israel during many centuries, and even though we grant that there was a special Hebrew revelation, it does not preclude all other manifestations of God.

In the religious and spiritual development of man, the age of symbol and formality in worship must pass away at the discovery that God is law. The most original system of religion which has combined in a living synthesis, that which in other systems was divided, Divine Science, teaches the Omnipresence of God, God all there is, Man the expression of God, a perfect part of the perfect Whole.

The Kingdom of God is at hand. We have always believed in this kingdom, and now we are learning the Truth, we acknowledge it by fitting ourselves for our divine citizenship. We, like our fathers, have tried to live in the faith, "perceiving the promises afar off," not conscious of our possibilities, until we received the good tidings of the Gospel, that the promises are fulfilled here and now.

Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee, regarded love to God and love to man as identical, and thus laid the basis of a larger system of religion than either Brahmanism or Buddhism. Jesus did not invent piety nor did he discover humanity. It was long before Jesus came before the world as a teacher that Brahmanic literature had sounded the depths of spiritual life, and the Buddhist missionaries preached universal benevolence to mankind.

The power of Christianity can be realized only when Jesus' teachings are regarded as literal statements of truth to be lived now, and not as prophecies relating to some far-off spiritual existence.

Having for centuries bowed before different systems of religion founded by those who presumed to lay down laws for countless generations, thereby cramping their individual development in giving place to the immense machinery of symbols, the human race finds it difficult to believe the good news, that we, all souls, are the expression of God, endowed with all possibilities of growth in intelligence and power. No one is obliged to submit his reason to unintelligible mysteries, or to accept blindly what contradicts his common sense. "For there is a spirit in man; and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding."

The faith that needs the fewest symbols is finding its place in our lives, the intelligence that changes the largest number of fears into opportunities, is being used.

Science does not give up any part of its domain to faith, nor is natural law violated; no innocent pleasure, no natural joy of life, nothing beautiful in art, literature, society or home is sacrificed to Christian faith, it is all included.



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### IN GOD WE TRUST

**D**URING the past two years, without doubt, all who believe in God have prayed with unusual earnestness for the protection of dear ones, for the speedy ending of the war and that right should prevail. The danger was apparent, vivid, and many felt helpless before it. Others knew there was a power mightier than armies.

The war has ended—have we ended our praying? I hope not.

The danger that threatens today is subtle. It is not in the form of devilish war machines, it does not sport itself visibly, it gives itself names that deceive. But under the complacent phrases of common sense, practicability, justice, lies a vast amount of ignorance, self-interest, greed, jealousy, narrow vision that does not see the whole, shallow perception that does not grasp the fundamentals of human and divine relationships.

Our prayers are needed today as never before, during the peace conference and the reconstruction period. There are many problems that face the world leaders. They are in a hard position; they need great wisdom and courage; they must have our spiritual backing.

Let us give them this backing by faithfully acknowledging for them daily the God of Wisdom, Love and Power that is at hand ready to lead and sustain them. Let us forget human opinions and know only this Presence and Power with them and throughout the world. Let us know the right, believe that it will prevail, and help outwardly as opportunity comes—spiritual consciousness plus outer activity means power.

Thus can we do our part at this crucial hour.

Out of the stillness and silence we come—we are coming, for creative activity is continuous within each soul.

What shall we call the Power that brings us forth? When thinking of its immensity we speak of Omnipresence, when acknowledging it as our creator and as the one who sustains us always Father is the word that most appeals; when its tenderness and mercy looms in our thought what word but Love can satisfy; when the great Life-Activity, everywhere present, is realized Infinite Power is the term full of meaning to us. Personally, I use the word God more often than another name for universal Being. In my thought it does not stand for personality, but for the One that combines all of the Truth which through the ages has been conceived by man in his search for Deity. God is the infinite stretch of Being that is all, hence, that includes all. He is the Substance and Mind Universal,

the nature of Love and Beauty and Goodness, unvarying. And he holds us in his Life eternally.

Therefore one can say, I am of God, in God, like God; and I live and move in this same Presence.

Could there be higher origin, richer endowment, more perfect environment?

What then is the matter with us? We have believed otherwise and we have reaped the fruit of our thoughts.

But all the way along we have aspired, we have caught glimpses of Reality, we have progressed until now we are at the daybreak of a new era.

Jesus said, "I am the way," and the emphasis of his entire life, in word and deed, was summed up in his affirmation, "I and my Father are one." Spiritual peace, consciousness and power will be ours only as we identify our thinking and living with the Father as Jesus did.

Then shall we see as the Father sees, then will all confusion and darkness disappear. "In thy light shall we see light." When a perplexing problem comes into one's life if he wishes to solve it let him say, How does the Father see this? I will see it in His Light. Is the problem poverty? No one conscious of God's presence can feel poor, for God is infinite abundance. No one conscious of God can feel ill, for God is Life and Peace and Power. No one conscious of God can lack any good thing, for He is the fulness that filleth all in all.

Our one aim then should be to come to conscious oneness with the Father. And this goal is attained only through the Practice of the Presence.

During the recent drive of our Denver charities a circular fell into my hands. Here it is:

### "THIS THING OF GIVING"

BY GEORGE F. BURBA

"I do not understand it, any more than do you, but there is something about this thing of giving that blesses us.

"No man has ever impoverished himself by giving. It cannot be done. Those who give most, have most left. No man has ever died poor because of that which he gave away. No one has ever gone hungry after giving away his bread; somehow, somewhere, bread has been provided for him.

"I believe that everyone who gives a penny will get it back a hundredfold. I believe that every one who dries a tear with his assistance will be spared the shedding of a thousand tears. I believe that every sacrifice we make will so enrich us in the future that our regret will be we did not sacrifice the more.

"This thing of giving! A glorious privilege it is! How meaningless now is money that is hoarded. How hateful to himself and to his fellows is he who does not answer to the call for aid. Give—and in the giving live the life a human being is entitled to enjoy. Give—and let no thought of sorrow abide with you, because you did not give. Give—and somewhere, from out the cloud, or from the sacred depths of human hearts, a melody divine will reach your ears, and gladden all your days upon the earth."



## PRAYER AND ANSWER

**J**UST as breathing is the essential of physical life, and death of the body must inevitably ensue if breathing ceases, prayer is the necessity of spiritual life, and our power is the measure of our spiritual comprehension.

Prayer is spiritual action, and all things are possible to those who can pray and fulfill the conditions of prayer. We call the answer to prayer in this age demonstration—to show or to produce results. In the age of Jesus it was called miracle—a marvel. A miracle is a law beyond the comprehension of those who so designate it. To the one who understands metaphysics, all is law, nothing “just happens,” every effect produced in the physical world is the result of a cause set in motion in the spiritual world.

Prayer, as taught by Jesus, is no mysterious incantation. It is a conscious knowledge and application of principle the result of which is the inevitable consequence. An applied principle “answers” itself. Reaction always equals action, and prayer is an action in the spiritual world. The answer to prayer is no more mysterious than that striking certain chords on a piano produces certain results. It is high time that this great fact of prayer should enter the human consciousness, for it was seen twenty-five hundred years ago by the Prophet Jeremiah: “Every man’s word shall be his burden,” then later by the greatest of all prophets: “By thy words shalt thou be justified and by thy words shalt thou be condemned.” All evil is the result of using this law inversely, all righteousness is the result of using it constructively. Evil is the objectivity of untrue thoughts, the answer to prayer is the objectivity of true thought.

It is singular that the life of Jesus could ever have been described as poor. His wealth was so universal that no local bank was necessary. He inherited the earth because he had the key to all phenomena.

Education is to awaken self activity, according to Froebel. Prayer as taught by Jesus is to awaken spiritual activity. It answers itself, for it brings into the consciousness the thing or condition desired. The condition of effective prayer is “Believing that we have received” and this believing is the inevitable result of our understanding of the principle of man. All that the Father hath, all that the Father is, has already been given us. Prayer is the acceptance of our inheritance.

We have not thought of faith as a vision, but that is just what it is. With faith our vision is not limited to the things that appear. It goes into the invisible and perceives the way man is in the mind of the Creator. Each man, each woman is perfect here and the state in which each is held is complete.

Prayer is connected with its answer, they co-ordinate as the root of the plant with the flower. Impression is made on the consciousness as we open to the spirit, expression follows, for no thought can come into the mind which does not come into visibility. “To him that hath shall be given,” that

is, to him that has the right idea or impression, the same comes into visibility in his life, because effects follow cause as the shadow follows a body.

Faith must become a habit of thought if we are to be spiritually efficient. Faith is never passive, it is vital, active, expectant, definite.

“It is an affirmation and an act

Which bids eternal truth be present fact.”

When the thought is true to the real or spiritual world, it is prayer. Divine creation is the absolute principle, for it is first, and all thinking must conform to it. Whenever we think correctly we are praying. True thought is an action in mind and every action in mind by immutable law inevitably results in a harmonious condition. Incorrect thinking is the result of not perceiving and conforming to the Principle everywhere present and this produces all the ills that flesh is heir to.

True living is a life of prayer, it is to live in the light of the Vision. We may live in what Jesus called “this world”—the world of mortal thought effects, or we may live in the Kingdom of God. Whenever we have made efforts in the past to transcend the temporal and live in the light of the spiritual we have accomplished much. When we have lived down in the material outlook and were constantly confronted with the lack, the misery, the crime and the ignorance, we were engulfed in confusion, not knowing which way to turn. Mankind has been compelled to stop and listen, on those occasions, to turn from the material outlook to the spiritual uplook, and lo! all was changed. This change has been so evident on those innumerable occasions that the race has made proverbs of them. “Man’s extremity is God’s opportunity,” “The darkest hour is just before the dawn,” are two of the best known, coined to express something that invariably occurs when man transcends his material beliefs by rising into instinctive prayer. Material walls crumble when spiritual power is turned upon them. It is the eternal power of prayer. “Haply,” says Emerson, “we know somewhat more than we know.”

The Adam man judges according to appearances, and in confusion is “driven out of Eden.” The Christ Man has ceased taking a surface inventory of external counterfeits and judges “righteous judgment.” Righteous judgment is the insight into the way things are in divine Mind. It is only as we do this that we pray the prayer that “availeth much” that reaches unto demonstration.

God does not hear the servile prayer of the underling. Material man is unknown to him and selfish demands can never reach the great Father of all. Were the prayer of our selfishness and immaturity granted, confusion would be the result. This class of prayer was discounted by one whom we so justly revere, Abraham Lincoln. At a crucial moment he was asked if he had prayed that God would be on his side. Characteristically he answered: “I do not care whether He is on my side or not, what I want to know is, am I on His side?”



The greatest war of all time has just ended. On both sides of this great conflict earnest prayers were sent up to the One Supreme Being. Each side asked for help, and each will be answered according to the supreme Wisdom. All want freedom, and all will receive it. The oppressor will receive freedom from his own false beliefs through defeat. God is working for the freedom of all of His children all of the time, there is no confusion in His mind in receiving these diametrically opposed prayers. The defeat of a selfish prayer but gets us into the relationship with Him which will make our sincere desire clear to our own consciousness and so "heard" by Him. God always distinguishes between what we think we want in our childish ignorance and gives us what we really need from his infinite Wisdom.

Prayer is a statement of needs, spiritual and temporal, a recognition from a finite being that Infinity can supply. And Infinity does answer all prayers in conformity with its infinite wisdom. When we fall into the error of specifying the manner in which those needs shall be supplied, we in our ignorance would instruct infinity. We can only plant, but God giveth the increase in his own way.

We think of Jesus as having some extraordinary power. His power was not extraordinary; he intelligently, and therefore unselfishly used the ordinary power that all have. The power that raised up Jesus from the dead is the power that raises up you and me each morning from our night's rest. We draw on this power just the amount we believe we can use. "We limit power, power does not limit us." If the power of God is equal to the raising up of one man from the dead, it is equal to raising all men from the dead. This power neither increases because a Jesus stands in it nor decreases because you or I stand in it.

When we pray, we must go over to the side of Omnipotence. It will never come over to us. If we are working on the other side and pleading with God to help us out our prayer is vain, our work will fail, our time and energies are wasted. On God's side is actually what we want, no matter what our finite sense thinks. If we find ourselves in the wrong, step over to the right, the side of principle, though we leave all our wealth and friends and rush into the arms of our enemies. A singular thing will happen if we do this, our enemies will become friends and the friends that we have left will follow us. It is impossible to lose when on God's side, for victory is established here in divine adjustment.

(To be continued.)

Good words from the West come to us. The California College of Divine Science has been having a splendid spiritual feast. Here are some of the crumbs dropped from the table which was so bountifully spread with good things at their last assembly:

#### ASSEMBLY NOTES

Out of the abundance of good things spoken at the Assembly, the following are just a taste:

*The Source of Power.* "As springs come forth at countless places in the hills, all drawing from one inexhaustible store of water hidden in the earth,

so individual lives draw their power from one Infinite Source."

*The Activity of Power.* "We never really see Power, only its results; the real activity of Power is in the Invisible. The Spirit is the link between God and Man. 'The Spirit alone is the source of bravery that changes not.'"

*The Channel of Power.* "The I Am is the channel through which God expresses Power; the Infinite says, 'I need you to express Myself.' Let us give a life-lease of ourselves to God."

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